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In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated September 26,

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Amendments to the claims begin on page 2;

Remarks and Authorization are included on page 8.